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APRIL

'...artists of the future!'



Screen Arts

Tuesday 2 April 6.15pm
£13 / Under 18 £10



Live

La forza del destino

A star-studded cast of singers come together in a sensational new production of Giuseppe Verdi's epic opera – The Force of Destiny.

Leonora falls in love with Don Alvaro, but when her father forbids their marriage, a fatal accident triggers a drama of obsession, vengeance and tragedy.

An opera which demands the very best of singers for its powerful music and the fullest theatrical treatment for its story of bitter revenge pursued across miles and years.

Approx 4hrs 15mins incl two intervals.



Class

Thursdays 4 April, 2 May & 6 June 10.30am-1.30pm
£15 per session

An Introduction to Life Drawing



Join experienced tutor Neil Cuthbert for a series of three life drawing classes which will introduce participants to anatomical terms and muscular and skeletal features as well as the creative process of drawing from a life model. Each week will feature a different model, including male and female. Paper and boards supplied, please bring your own easel and any preferred pencils. All abilities welcome.

Music

Thursday 4 April 7.30pm £12

Diss Jazz Club presents

Chris Ingham Quartet: Getz – A Musical Portrait

The Chris Ingham Quartet, featuring star of the John Wilson Orchestra Mark Crooks, presents a celebration of the great genius of the saxophone, Stan Getz. From the 1940s to the 1990s,



including the swinging 1950s and the 1960s bossa nova years, the show highlights Getz's collaborations with the great musicians of the era.

'Crooks' tenor raises the hairs on the back of the neck...'

London Jazz News



Theatre

Saturday 6 April 7.30pm £12 / Concessions £9.50

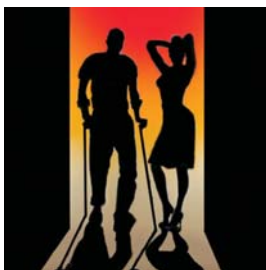
Open Space Theatre Company presents

Cat on a Hot Tin Roof

by Tennessee Williams

On a steamy night in Mississippi, a family gathers to celebrate the birthday of cotton plantation owner 'Big Daddy' Pollitt. But the scorching heat is almost as oppressive as the lies that are told. His son, Brick, and daughter-in-law, Maggie, dance around the secrets and sexual tensions that threaten to destroy their marriage. With the future of the family at stake, which version of the truth is real – and which will win out?

Approx. 2hrs plus interval.



Exhibition

9 April-14 May

An exhibition in the Upper Gallery 10am-4pm Free

Ingenuity - a Pictorialisation of Arts Awards

We are extremely pleased to present the artwork from our Arts Award students, as they create, plan and curate an exceptional showcase of their work – be prepared to see some of the artists of the future!

Do come along and participate in workshops and activities hosted by our young Arts Award group when they 'Takeover' the Corn Hall on Friday 12 April 10am-4pm!

Contact jessica.vincent@thecornhall.co.uk for further details.

CREATE

Film

Fortnightly, starting Tuesday
23 April 6.30pm-8.30pm
Free first session,
£20 for annual film ticket*
Ages 18+

Keeping it Reel

- Young Film Programmers Group

Are you interested in film, learning more about the film industry, or looking for a great new social evening? Join us for a Film Club with a difference! Led by industry professionals, this is your chance to have your say in our film programming: learn about different film genres, pick some of the films we screen and master how to programme film events.

*Annual film ticket includes access to our evening film screenings.



FAMILY FUN



Easter Family Flicks

Wednesday 10 April 10.30am
£5 / Under 18 £2.50

Mary Poppins Returns (PG)

2hrs 10mins

With Emily Blunt, Ben Whishaw

The Banks siblings and Michael's children are going through a difficult time. Just as all seems lost, Mary Poppins arrives to save the day.



Johnny English Strikes Again (PG)

Friday 12 April 10.30am
£5 / Under 18 £2.50

Directed by David Kerr, UK, 2018,
1hr 29mins

With Rowan Atkinson, Ben Miller,
Olga Kurylenko, Emma Thompson

Rowan Atkinson returns as the much-loved accidental secret agent. When a cyber-attack reveals the identity of all active undercover agents in Britain, the country's only hope is called out of retirement.



Easter Holiday Fun

Sunday 14 April 1pm
£12.50 / Concessions £10 / Family £40 Ideal for 3-8 yrs

LP Creatives present

Treasure Island

From the producers of the Corn Hall annual pantomime...!

With the stars of children's TV we're all off to 'Treasure Island' Aaargh!

With crazy characters, all your favourite songs and a swashbuckling story on the seven seas – laughter, adventure and pirates await in a show perfect for children aged three and upwards.

Grab your booty and don't miss the boat... book now!

'A triumph – delightful' *The Stage*

'A really well paced show'
Primary Times

'Fun and unpretentious' *The List*

1hr 35mins incl interval.



Easter Holiday Fun

Monday 15-Thursday 18 April 9am-3.30pm
£85 for 4 days (Age 6-11yrs)

Easter Stage School

For starstruck singers, budding stars and dancing divas, the Corn Hall's Easter Stage School is ideal for children aged 6-11.

Four days of drama, dancing and singing – incorporating plenty of fun and games – culminating in a special demonstration for parents on stage on the final day at 5pm.

Delivered by a DBS checked, experienced and fully qualified dance teacher.





Toddler Screening

Wednesday 1 May 10.30-11am £2.50

The Highway Rat (U)

Based on the book by Julia Donaldson and Axel Scheffler, *The Highway Rat* tells the tale of a ravenous rat who craves buns, biscuits and all things sweet. Tearing along the highway, he searches for sugary treats to steal, until his sweet tooth leads him to a sticky end.

Featuring the voices of Rob Brydon, Frances De La Tour and David Tennant, this swashbuckling adventure of bandits and biscuits is one the whole family will enjoy.



Our toddler screenings are designed for pre-schoolers to give them their first experiences of the cinema. They are kindly supported by Diss Cyclathon.

Family

10.30-11.30am £6 / Children £4

Northern Ballet presents

Bite-Sized Ballets

The perfect way for your little ones to enjoy the magic of dance, music and storytelling on the big screen! With playful characters and spellbinding music, these adorable ballets are sure to have your little ones dancing with excitement!

The much-loved BBC presenter, Anita Rani is on hand to read the stories and show some of the moves from the ballets with the help of the loveable characters.

Saturday 6 April **Tortoise & the Hare**

Saturday 11 May **Elves & the Shoemaker**

Saturday 1 June **Three Little Pigs**



PLUS before the main feature, there will be a short episode of family-friendly series, *Jungle Beat* which will focus on an animal character and the hilarious situations they encounter in nature.

Saturday Club

Saturday 8 June 2pm
£7 / Friends & Family £25
(4 tickets)

String Theatre presents

The Marionette Insect Circus

The magical world of The Insect Circus invites the audience to forget reality and become immersed in the strange and beautiful world of insects. Beetles and grasshoppers, wasps and dragonflies, demonstrate their dexterity with great skill and humour.

Presented using marionettes, the show breathes new life into the traditional techniques used in Victorian trick marionettes. A unique and charming experience to be enjoyed by all the family.

After the show there'll be a chance to see the marionette insects up close.

Approx 50mins incl aftershow interaction.



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'...thrilling
new
production'



Word

Second Thursday of the month 10.30am-12.30pm
£5 per session

Art Appreciation



Led by experienced art historian Tania Harrington, come and hear about artists and their lives, watch documentaries and video clips about them and their work, and have the chance to air your own views and opinions! We will also be looking at exhibitions around the country, including those on our doorstep at the Corn Hall. This informal group is open to all.

Screen Arts

Thursday 11 April 7pm £12 / Under 18 £10

National
Theatre
Live

All About Eve

Broadcast live from the West End, Gillian Anderson and Lily James lead in this adaptation of the 1950 film which starred Bette Davis.

All About Eve tells the story of Margo Channing. Legend. True star of the theatre. The spotlight is hers, always has been. But now there's Eve. Her biggest fan. Young, beautiful Eve.



Lifting the curtain on a world of jealousy and ambition, this thrilling new production is adapted and directed from one of the world's top theatre directors, Ivo van Hove (*Network*).

Approx 2hrs 10mins.

Music

Friday 12 April 7.30pm £12

The Hut People

Taking the audience on a musical journey around the world, English instrumental duo Sam Pirt and Gary Hammond have firmly established themselves as one of the most entertaining and best-loved acts on the UK folk scene today.

Mixing global rhythms with folk tunes from Quebec to Spain, Scandinavia to Sussex and everywhere in between, this is a joyful, quirky and immensely skilful celebration of our rich musical heritage.

A show like nothing you've ever seen before, expect feel-good dancing tunes, audience participation, step dancing, Quebecois foot-percussion (whilst playing the accordion!) and humour aplenty.

Approx 1hr 45mins incl interval.





Screen Arts

Saturday 13 April 7.15pm £13 / Under 18 £10

Filmed live at the London Palladium

The King and I

By Rodgers and Hammerstein

Reprising their award-winning roles are the original Broadway stars Kelli O'Hara ('Broadway musical's undisputed Queen' *The Sunday Times*) and Ken Watanabe. Featuring over 50 world class performers and one of the finest scores ever written. This production is a testament to the lavish heritage of musical theatre.

Approx 3hrs incl interval.



Theatre

Saturday 20 April 7.15pm £15 / Under 18 £12 (Age 12+)

Cyphers Theatre Company presents

Northanger Abbey

Catherine Morland has grown up in the country, with only sensational novels and pop culture to inform her of life beyond the village. Leaving home for the first time, she expects heroes, bandits and adventures to await her. Reality is more complicated...



Cyphers present Jane Austen's timeless tale of growing up and getting it all wrong, with their playful style and fast-paced action.

'remarkably inventive'
★★★★ *London Theatre1*

Approx 2hrs 10mins incl interval.

Theatre

Thursday 25 April 7.30pm
£12 / Concessions £10

Broad Horizons Theatre Company presents

Rebellious Sisterhood - Votes for Women

By Karen Forbes

Mrs Pankhurst is not a well woman. Family arguments threaten scandal. Financially embarrassed, terrified of being returned to prison, her only sanctuary is with the composer, Ethel Smyth. But Ethel's love for Emmeline is threatened by the arrival of young firebrand, Grace Roe, fresh from turning East Anglia into a hotbed of Suffragette protest.

Join us for a rare glimpse at the private lives and the personal cost paid by the leaders of the Suffragettes.

Approx 2hrs including interval.



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'brave, funny,
tough and
beautiful'



Music

Saturday 27 April 7pm £18 / £15 Under 18

Burgate Singers & The Burgate Sinfonia present

The Yeomen of the Guard – a concert version

Book by WS Gilbert, Music by Sir Arthur Sullivan

A sad tale – in feel not unlike Verdi's *Rigoletto* – *The Yeoman of the Guard* has leanings toward serious opera and is one of the few Sullivan actually scored completely himself.



The Burgate Singers and Burgate Sinfonia (a freelance professional ensemble), will be joined by young and seasoned principal professional singers – all working in leading opera houses, or graduates from the Royal Academy of Music – to perform this most emotionally engaging of the Savoy Operas.

Approx 3hrs incl interval.

Screen Arts

Tuesday 30 April 6.45pm £13 / Under 18 £10



Live Faust

Experience the decadence and elegance of 1870s Paris in this spectacular production of Charles-Francois Gounod's best-loved opera which features several of popular opera's most recognisable numbers, performed by a cast of great international singers and the Royal Opera Chorus.



Virtuoso leading roles, a large chorus, sensational sets, ballet and an ecstatic finale make this enthralling version of *Faust* – who trades his soul with the Devil for youth and power – the epitome of theatrical spectacle.

Approx 3hrs 45mins incl interval.

Comedy

Thursday 2 May 8pm
£14 / Concs £13 Age 16+
recommended

The Noise Next Door – REMIX

With eight years of sell-out Edinburgh shows and appearances on BBC One and ITV1 alongside the likes of Michael McIntyre, Al Murray and Harry Hill under their belt, *The Noise Next Door* are the UK's top improv comedy troupe!

In their full-length show they take audience suggestions and create fantastically funny scenes and songs in the blink of an eye! With a perfect blend of ludicrous characters, witty one-liners, epic stories and explosive physicality, audiences everywhere are left in awe of their lightning-quick wit and totally original comedic talents.

'Comedy Gold' *The Guardian*

'Hilarious...' *The Daily Telegraph*

Approx 1hr 30mins incl interval.





Word

Friday 3 May 8pm £10 / Students £6

Luke Wright's Stand-Up Poetry Club

– featuring Tim Turnbull & Molly Naylor

We're back, and this month we welcome back Tim Turnbull. Eminently accessible, Turnbull does bold rhymes, caustic commentary and mucky jokes, all in an affable deadpan.



We're also cock-a-hoop that Molly Naylor will be reading from her collection *Badminton*. Part confession, part manifesto; *Badminton* manages to celebrate humanity whilst despairing of its ugly bits. *The Guardian* has called her work "brave, funny, tough and beautiful." You'll see why.

Luke Wright is your host with the vegan roast. Be there.

Approx 1hr 40mins incl interval.

Film

Saturday 4 May 7.30 pm £10

David

Musician and composer, Peter Creswell wrote the oratorio *David* in 2008. It was performed in Redgrave, Bury St Edmunds and in 2014, in St Mary's Church, Diss with professional singers, supported by the Kingfisher Sinfonietta and the Redgrave Singers. This is the professional film made of that performance.



David is a major classical work on the scale of *Elijah* or *The Creation*. It opens with the relationship between the young David and King Saul and leads to the story of the love affair between David and Bathsheba. Peter will introduce the film.

2 hours incl interval.

Art

4 May-29 June
Art Exhibition in the Main Gallery 10am-4pm Free

Iceni Botanical Artists – Spring into Summer

With a membership of almost 30 artists, all based in East Anglia, Iceni Botanical Artists specialise in painting the world of plants in inks, oils and watercolour in styles varying from detailed botanical plant studies to natural habitat landscapes.

Renowned for creating botanical paintings of rare and endangered wild flowers of the Breckland area. Iceni Botanical Artists will showcase new work highlighting the flora of the East of England.

Exhibition opening
Saturday 4 May 11am-1pm

Meet Iceni Botanical Artists.

Iceni Botanical Workshops
8 May & 1 June

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WEDNESDAY FILMS

£5 / Under 18 £2.50

Our morning screenings are Dementia friendly and kindly supported by Diss Cyclathon.



Wed 3 April 10.30am & 7.30pm

Stanley's War - Suffolk's First World War Remembered (12A)

Director Tim Curtis. Presented by John McCarthy, UK, 2019, 54mins

Based on true events, this powerful drama-documentary – produced by the team that brought us *Life On the Deben* – is a riveting and heartfelt story of two Suffolk families.

We hope to have the filmmaker Tim Curtis with us for a Q&A at the end of the film.



Wed 24 April 10.30am & 7.30pm

Bohemian Rhapsody (12A)

Bryan Singer, UK/USA, 2018, 2hrs 14mins

With Rami Malek, Gwilym Lee, Lucy Boynton

A foot-stomping celebration of Queen, their music and their extraordinary lead singer Freddie Mercury. Freddie defied stereotypes and shattered convention to become one of the most beloved entertainers on the planet.



Wed 8 May 10.30am & 7.30pm

Widows (15)

Director Steve McQueen, USA, 2018, 2hrs 10mins
With Viola Davis, Michelle Rodriguez, Elizabeth Debicki, Cynthia Erivo

‘...an empowering, electrifying thriller with an ensemble cast to die for. It follows a disparate group of women who are forced to pick up the criminal baton from their recently deceased husbands. Intelligent, engrossing and fiercely emotional...’
★★★★★ Mark Kermode, *The Guardian*



Wed 10 April 10.30am & 7.30pm

Mary Poppins Returns (PG)

Director Rob Marshall, USA, 2018, 2hrs 10mins

With Emily Blunt, Ben Whishaw

The Banks siblings and Michael's children are going through a difficult and unhappy time. Just as all seems lost, Mary Poppins arrives to save the day and take the Banks family on a magical, fun-filled adventure.



Wednesday 1 May 7.30pm

The Heiresses (12A)

Director Marcelo Martinessi, Paraguay, 2018, 1hr 38mins, subtitles

With Ana Brun, Margarita Irún, Ana Ivanova

We've all seen films about old people who experience a poignant late-life flowering. But not many about a well-off lady in Paraguay whose love life comes into its own only after her gay lover is sent to jail. A sophisticated, morally perplexing and topical film with standout performances.



Wednesday 15 May 7.30pm

The Seventh Seal

Director Ingmar Bergman, Sweden, 1957, 1hr 36mins, subtitles

With Max von Sydow, Bengt Ekerot, Bibi Andersson

One of the great classics of world cinema. Why? It is narratively bold, visually striking, timeless, full of great performances, beautifully shot and, despite being about death, is life-affirming and darkly funny.

More information and trailers about these films may be found on our website www.thecornhall.co.uk



Wed 22 May 10.30am & 7.30pm

Wildlife (12A)

Director Paul Dano, USA, 2018, 1hr 44mins
With Carey Mulligan, Jake Gyllenhaal, Ed Oxenbould

This affecting coming-of-age drama is brought brilliantly to life by a career-best performance from Carey Mulligan as a complex woman whose self-determination disrupts the expectations of a 1960s nuclear family in Montana.



Wed 5 June 10.30am & 7.30pm

Three Identical Strangers (12A)

Director Tim Wardle, UK/USA, 2018, 1hr 36mins

An extraordinary documentary about three complete strangers who discover aged 19, that they are identical triplets, separated at birth, and adopted to different parents. Their joyous reunion is just the beginning of a twist-filled and compelling tale.



Wed 19 June 10.30am & 7.30pm

The Favourite (15)

Yorgos Lanthimos, Ireland/UK/USA, 2018, 1hr 59mins
With Olivia Colman, Emma Stone, Rachel Weisz

Bedecked with awards and nominations from the Oscars, BAFTA's and Golden Globes, this tragicomic drama set in the early 18th century in the Court of a frail Queen Anne boasts razor-sharp dialogue and lashings of political intrigue and deceit.



Wed 29 May 10.30am & 7.30pm

The Guardians (15)

Director Xavier Beauvois, France, 2018, 2hrs 18mins, subtitles
With Nathalie Baye, Laura Smet, Iris Bry

Set in France in 1915, this wartime story focuses on three women left behind to run the family farm. In the tradition of French rural sagas like *Jean De Florette*, landscape and the seasons play as much of a part as the characters.



Wed 12 June 10.30am & 7.30pm

First Man (12A)

Director Damien Chazelle, USA, 2018, 2hrs 21mins
With Ryan Gosling, Claire Foy, Jason Clarke

An intimate, riveting and serious biopic about the astronaut, Neil Armstrong, and the story – including the personal tensions – behind the legendary space mission that led him to become the *first man* to walk on the Moon.



Wed 26 June 10.30am & 7.30pm

Stan & Ollie (PG)

Director John S Baird, UK, 2018, 1hr 38mins
With John C Reilly, Steve Coogan

Laurel and Hardy, the world's most famous comedy duo, attempt to reignite their film careers as they embark on what becomes their swan song. A delightful, warm hug of a movie with superb, spot-on performances, some big laughs, and genuinely touching moments.

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'intoxicating,
energetic tribal
rhythms'



Workshop

Wednesday 8 May
10.00am - 4.00pm £30

Spring Flowers and Little Dewdrops

Led by Iceni Botanical Illustrator Tina Bone, this full day workshop encourages students to carefully observe, draw and then paint a wild spring flower – with perhaps a little, elegantly placed dewdrop.

Working from live spring flowers and with a combination of group demonstrations and one-to-one tuition, the workshop will show the rudiments of botanical drawing, where accuracy is the key and observation is the main skill. Some aspects of colour mixing will also be included to help students understand and achieve an accurate colour balance in their work.

Suitable for all abilities.



Theatre

Thursday 9 May 7.30 pm £12 / £8 Under 18s & Income Support

The Life of Thomas Paine Productions presents

Thomas Paine's To Begin the World Over Again

*Written and performed by Ian Ruskin.
With Elliott Gould as the narrator's voice.*

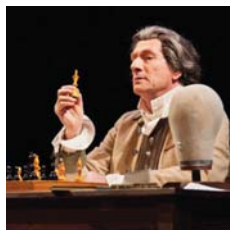
English actor Ian Ruskin's acclaimed one-man play brings Thomas Paine home to Diss.

Paine changed the world with his wit and vision, sparking the American and French Revolutions. He was one of the world's greatest writers and worst politicians. Would it prove a deadly combination?

★★★★★ *Showmag, Los Angeles*

A 10% donation of the proceeds will be made to Diss Museum.

Approx 75 minutes no interval followed by a Q&A.



Screen Arts

Tuesday 14 May 7pm £12 / Under 18 £10

National Theatre Live **All My Sons**

by Arthur Miller

Broadcast live from The Old Vic in London, Academy Award-winner Sally Field (Steel Magnolias) and Bill Pullman star in Arthur Miller's blistering drama.

America, 1947. Despite some hard knocks, Joe and Kate Keller are a success story. They have built a home, raised two sons and established a thriving business.

But nothing lasts forever. With the return of a figure from the past, long buried truths are forced to the surface and the price of their American dream is laid bare.

Approx 2hrs 45mins incl interval.





Music

Thursday 16 May 7.30pm £15

His Way: The Frank Sinatra Story - with Robert Habermann

Award-winning singer, Robert Habermann presents the unforgettable songs and the remarkable story of one of the most popular singers of the 20th century.

Charting Sinatra's career from big band singer and pop idol, to his fall from popularity in the late forties, through to his hugely successful return and becoming a world icon – all the while leading a hugely colourful and publicised life.

Featuring many of Sinatra's wonderful songs including: *Come Fly with Me, Fly Me to the Moon, My Way, New York New York.*

Approx 2hrs 10min incl interval.



Music

Friday 17 May 8pm £12

Roving Crows

With a vibrant and powerful mix of Celtic-inspired fiddle and intelligent lyrics backed by intoxicating, energetic tribal rhythms and electronica-infused dance grooves – Roving Crows are an original, must-see act.

Highly respected – they were nominated for Best Album at the FolkWords Album Awards 2018 and won International Artist of the Year at the Australian Celtic Music Awards 2017 – they're also renowned for their high-energy live performances.



An adventurous and inspired heady cocktail of Celtic and World music with a social conscience and a beating heart.' *Mike Davies, Folkling.com, April '17*

Approx 2hrs incl interval.

Art

Art Exhibition in the Upper Gallery
18 May-6 July Box Office hours
Free

Caroline Somerville - A Life Through Flowers & Foliage

"There are personal stories attached to all of my work and my interest in Modernism is evident in the intrinsically retro feel of most of my pieces". *Caroline Somerville*

Renowned for her bold tulip patterns, vibrant primroses and her work inspired by her travels to Japan and California, Caroline Somerville's striking repeat pattern fabrics, wallpaper and homeware give a real sense of the place that inspired them.

Exhibition opening with the artist
Sat 18 May 11am-1pm Free

Lino-cut workshop with
Caroline Somerville Sat 29 June

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MAY-JUNE

'A rollicking adventure...'



Theatre

Saturday 18 May 7.30pm £12 / Under 18 £10 (Age 11+)

Stuff of Dreams Theatre Company present

An Honest Gentleman – A musical play about East Anglia's very own Dick Turpin

By Cordelia Spence & Tim Lane

Born in Aylsham, Norfolk in 1715, the highwayman Thomas Easter was hanged at Tyburn 24 years later. His life was packed with adventure and intrigue as he plied his trade from North Norfolk to Putney Heath, 'raising contributions upon the public'.



A rollicking adventure of a dashing and charming rogue, who ultimately dances the hangman's jig.

Approx 2hrs incl interval.

www.stuffofdreams.com

Theatre

Thur 23 May 7.30pm £12 / Concessions £10 (Age 11+)

Townsend Theatre Productions presents

The Ragged Trousered Philanthropists – a magic lantern show

'The man of many characters', actor Neil Gore, presents an Edwardian magic show with magic lantern and projected animation; political conjuring tricks, live music and song, as we meet the famous characters from Robert Tressell's book that follows the events that surround the painters and decorators who are charged with the renovation of a large town house for local Mayor Sweater.



★★★★ 'Tremendous' *The Times*

★★★★ 'Highly entertaining' *Whatsonstage*

Approx 1hr 55mins incl interval.

Music

Friday 24 May 8pm
£18 (Part seated)

Whole Lotta Led's 2019 Tour – featuring Led Zeppelin II

2019 is the 50th anniversary of the release of one of the greatest albums of all time – *Led Zeppelin II*. This is the LP that catapulted Led Zeppelin from being just another sixties blues group to one of the most influential and successful bands of all time. It was the first of their albums to reach number one, toppling the Beatles' *Abbey Road* in the process.

Don't miss this special celebration of this timeless album. The first half of the show will include songs from Led Zeppelin's back catalogue. The second half will feature the whole of *Led Zeppelin II* played in the same sequence as the original LP.

Approx 2hrs 45mins including interval.





Music

Thursday 30 May 7.30pm £12

Diss Jazz Club presents

Sondheim & Me – Joanna Eden with Gerry Hunt, Russell Swift and George Double

Acclaimed chanteuse and long-time mentor to pop superstar Sam Smith, Joanna Eden – supported by Gerry Hunt on saxes/guitar, Russell Swift on bass and George Double on drums – presents her personal take on the work of musical theatre genius Stephen Sondheim.

With songs from *Company*, *A Little Night Music*, *Into the Woods*, *Sweeney Todd* and many other classic shows.

'The UK's answer to Diana Krall and Norah Jones' *Time Out*

Approx 2hrs 20mins incl interval.



Comedy

Friday 31 May 8pm Advance £11 / Door £13 (Min age 18)

Corn Hall Comedy Club

Four top notch comics, two intervals, one great night out! Comedy and friends is the perfect combination, so grab a bunch of your mates, book 6 or more tickets, and (providing others haven't booked them all already), we'll reserve you a table.

Keep checking our website www.thecornhall.co.uk, or Facebook [diss.cornhall](https://www.facebook.com/diss.cornhall) for updates on who our acts for the night will be!



Approx 2hrs including intervals.
Food and bar from 6.30pm.

Workshop

Saturday 1 June 10am-4pm £30 Ages 16+

Observational Botanical Drawing

A member of the Icení Botanical Illustrators since 2017, Georgina Kuna works primarily in watercolour on paper to create intensely observed plant portraits. Working from live plant specimens, this drawing day will cover a broad range of techniques, from quick study sketches through to accurate, fully rendered detail.



All levels of experience and ability welcome.

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Downton Abbey
with gardening
tips'



Music

Thursday 6 June 8pm £18

Limehouse Lizzy - presenting the greatest hits of Thin Lizzy

Limehouse Lizzy continue to keep the spirit of Celtic rock icon Philip Lynott and his band Thin Lizzy alive, well and dominating stages worldwide. Now the band has added to their show a tribute to ex-Thin Lizzy guitarist (and world renowned solo artist) Gary Moore.

Despite international tours, corporate clients and their own anniversary year tour schedule, Limehouse Lizzy has also shoehorned a co-headline tour with tribute giants Livewire into 2019. Don't miss their most explosive show and critically-acclaimed line-up yet. The boys are back!

'entertainment for more than a decade... fantastic live music'
Arena BBC2

'if you're sceptical about tribute acts, you won't be after seeing Limehouse Lizzy'
Radio Times

Approx 2hrs.



Theatre

Friday 7 June 7.30pm £12 / Concessions £10

Kick in the Head presents

Old Herbaceous

By Alfred Shaughnessy

Described as "Downton Abbey with gardening tips", this is the humorous love story of a single-minded yet gentle man with a passion for plants.

With acute and sometimes hilarious observations of relationships between the classes in a simpler age, *Old Herbaceous* is sprinkled with witticisms and epithets.

Performed by renowned actor Giles Shenton as Herbert Pinnegar.

Had enough of depressing news? *Old Herbaceous* will leave you with a feeling that, perhaps, all's right with the world.

'Not to be missed' *BBC Radio Kent*

Approx 1hr 40mins incl interval.



Screen Arts

Tuesday 11 June 7.15pm £13 / Under 18 £10



Live **Romeo and Juliet**

Shakespeare's story of star-crossed lovers is known the world over and, since Kenneth MacMillan's superbly choreographed version of Sergei Prokofiev's dramatic and majestic music premiered in 1965, it has become a modern ballet classic.

Capturing the emotions of the young couple as they fall in love, despite the barriers that finally bring about the story's tragic end, this revival brings the colour and action of Renaissance Verona, where a busy market bursts into sword fighting, and a family feud leads to tragedy for both the Montagues and Capulets.

Approx 3hrs 15mins including two intervals.



Sparky's d Juliet



Workshop

Friday 14 June 10am-1.30pm
£40 incl tea/coffee & cake Ages 14+

Needle Felt Hare workshop



Join local craftswoman, and Fluffology founder, Tracey Baldwin in learning the trace of needle felting. Price includes the full starter kit to make your own hare, with additional materials to take away and make another at home.

There will be additional bags of wool available on the day for £10 if you are feeling inspired and want to go away and play! Beginners welcome.

Word & Music

Friday 14 June 7.30pm £10 / Concessions £9

Martin Newell and The Hosepipe Band - The Jigsaw Coast & The Green Children

The Jigsaw Coast is a selection of Martin Newell's shorter poems about East Anglian places, people and events.

The Green Children is a longer poem about two children of "unusual skin colour" who appeared in Woolpit during the 12th century. Both pieces feature original music composed and played by the Hosepipe Band.



'My guests went in wondering who I'd booked but within minutes they were mesmerised. The feedback was amazing.'

Simon Gee

Approx 2hrs incl interval.

Festival

Saturday 15 June 11.30am-11pm

Ukaholics Anonymous presents

Diss Ukulele Day

A whole day of Ukulele-based activities, including...

A Big Busk Diss Market Square
11.30am-12.30pm

In the Corn Hall
Workshops 2pm & 3.30pm £3 each

Fingerpicking the ukulele – with Peter Arnold.

From solo to band mate: how to arrange a song – with Blue Luna

Open Mic 5pm

Showcase your own talents.
Sign-up on the day.

Evening Concert featuring
The Delta Beltas 7.30pm £8

The Delta Beltas play a combination of early American Blues from the Mississippi Delta and more up-tempo country blues numbers with toe-tapping rhythms and vocal harmonies.

Their instruments range from guitars, ukulele and keyboards to trombone, washboard and horns – think Waveney Delta meets Mississippi River Roots, meets New Orleans Street Music!

Plus: Blue Luna – the all-female acoustic covers band whose material ranges from the 1950s to last week!

Approx 2hrs 15mins incl interval.

Further details on

www.thecornhall.co.uk

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'Probably
a genius'



Comedy / Magic

Friday 21 June 8pm £15

James Phelan – Trickster

Magician. Comedian. Presenter. Trickster! James Phelan, nephew of British icons Paul Daniels and Debbie McGee, presents his latest show. An evening of hilarious, traditional, mind-blowing magic where anything can happen - and quite often does. People are tricked, phones are destroyed, needles are swallowed, no-one is safe!

James has already performed the show to sell out audiences across the country as well as performing at the London Palladium. He also hosts the TV show 'Celebrity Troublemaking' – a relaxed chat show featuring celebrity guests – with a unique twist. As they're talking, James performs some of his brilliant tricks on them.

Approx 1hr 45mins incl interval.



Music & Dance

Saturday 22 June 7.30pm
£13 / Concessions £11

The Story of Doo-Wop – with The Testosta Tones

Join the UK's premier Doo-Wop quartet, The Testosta Tones as they take you on a musical journey detailing the history of Doo-Wop.

During the early 1950s, quartets sung on street corners, in barbershops and churches in a style which became known as Doo-Wop, paving the way for rock 'n' roll.

Join your host for the evening, radio disc jockey Chuck Anderson and The Testosta Tones (who have sung for the Queen, live on Radio 2 and at iconic venues in the UK) as they perform favourite songs such as *Blue Moon*, *Earth Angel*, *Runaround Sue*, *Teenager in Love* and many others.

Jivers, lindy-hoppers and Balboa dancers – space will be available to dance.

Approx 2hrs incl interval.





Theatre

Thursday 27 June 8pm
£10 / Students £6

EM Productions presents

Radiant Vermin

By Philip Ridley
Directed by Peter Sowerbutts

Ollie and Jill want to tell you about their dream home. Some of the things they did to get it, you might find shocking. But they want you to know they did it all for their baby...

Playful, provocative and viciously sharp, *Radiant Vermin* is a wickedly comic satire from internationally acclaimed Philip Ridley.

With Emma Martin (*The Browning Version*) and Jake Kubala (*Woman in Mind*).

'Probably a genius' *Time Out* on Philip Ridley

This amateur production of 'Radiant Vermin' is presented by special arrangement with SAMUEL FRENCH LTD.

1hr 30mins no interval.



Workshop

Saturday 29 June 10am-3pm £60 per person

Create a Repeat Pattern Lino-Cut on Fabric

Experienced teacher, Caroline Somerville will show you how to create your own bold repeat pattern to make your own wallpaper or upholstery designs. At the end of the workshop you will go home with a fabric sample featuring your own design. Beginners welcome. Price includes materials, plus tea/coffee and a slice of cake.



Theatre

Saturday 29 June 7.30pm £12 / Concessions £10

Packing Shed Theatre presents

All Hail Macbeth

'Hell hath no fury like three women scorned.'

It's 2019, yet for three young women in the city it still feels like the 1950s. But that's about to change when Cate walks into their lives and shows them what being a witch should be about.

Mixing comedy and high drama with more than a little bit of magic, *All Hail Macbeth* is a cross between *Harry Potter*, *Macbeth* and *Top Girls* that tells the backstory of the Three Witches in Shakespeare's spookiest play.

Approximately 1hr 45mins incl interval.



JOIN US FOR A DRINK at the GRAIN BAR...



Showcasing an ever-changing range of award-winning Grain beers, alongside a hand-picked selection of the best drinks around.

The new Corn Hall bar will be operated by Grain Brewery who are based just down the road in Alburgh. They bring their range of traditional cask beers, alongside cask and keg beers inspired from across the world. The same quality is applied to their selection of wine, spirits, mixed and soft drinks, drawn from their experience from their three owned pubs. Their claim to serve up 'The best G&T in Diss' is not an exaggeration!

The Grain Bar at the Corn Hall is open from 6.15pm before events.

Pre-order your interval drinks to avoid the queue.

CORN THE HALL

Café

**For coffee, brunch, lunch or
dinner in a friendly, welcoming
and relaxed atmosphere**

Now open **Monday to Saturday** 10am-4pm
and before events for evening dining



Booking recommended for pre-event dining
Email: cafe@thecornhall.co.uk or call 07963 355588



HOW TO BOOK

In person: during Box Office opening hours.

Telephone: 01379 652241 – if you reach our answering machine please leave your details and your call will be returned as soon as possible.

Online: register on our new website www.thecornhall.co.uk to book for any event.

By Post: Please include your name, address, contact number, email address and full details of your booking along with your cheque made payable to 'Diss Corn Hall Trust'. Add £1 to your booking total if you wish your tickets to be posted. You can also email the Box Office using boxoffice@thecornhall.co.uk.

Charges: A booking fee of £1.50 applies per transaction for online and telephone bookings. The booking fee will not be added to bookings made in person.

A £1 fee will be added should you wish your tickets to be posted.

ACCESSIBILITY

The Corn Hall Trust is committed to making the venue as accessible as possible. The Box Office, Hall, Waveney Room, gallery, bar and café are all on the ground floor and we have lift access to the first floor studio, exhibition and heritage research space. Both floors have fully accessible toilets.



We can only accommodate a limited number of wheelchairs at events. Please inform the Box Office when you book so we can reserve your space. If your mobility requirements require someone to assist you with your visit we can arrange a complimentary ticket for your companion. Please enquire at the Box Office.



The Hall and the Waveney Room are both equipped with induction loops. These work for amplified events.

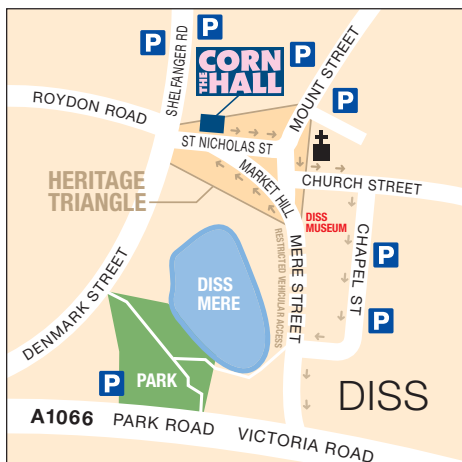
CAFE and BAR

The cafe will open between 10am-4pm Monday to Saturday, from 6.30pm before evening events, and an hour before Sunday daytime events. The Bar opens from 6.30pm before events.

THANKS

Special thanks to our Good Friends

Keith & Sue Best, Eve Boyd, Ray Bryant, Anita Burnard, David Case, Jenny Chamberlin, Lynn Clark, Jane & James Denny, Hazel Dormer, Peter Dudley, Margaret Evans, Brian & Gunilla Falk, Alan & Stephanie Franks, David Gillett, Anita & Nicholas Hales, Charles Handy, Jo & Gary Hincks, Paul Howling, Anne Hyde, Ann & Sirdar Isik, Maz Jackson, Martha Kearney, Dr Anders Linder & Shelia Linder, Kate Lloyd, Glynne Lloyd-Davis, Dr Linda Merricks, Elizabeth Mooney, Ruth and Patrick Murray, Jill Robinson, Chris Shaw, Sue Shrager, Linda & Andy Simpson, Terry & Katherine Smith, Ann & David Steele, John Taylor, Linda Whyte and Corporate Friends: Dayburst Couriers and Grain Brewery.



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Coming this Disseember

A family panto bound
to hit the bullseye!

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Written by Tom Beard - Directed by Sarah Langley

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